

CLASSIFICATION OFFICE DECISION

Title of publication: tumblr_nqdxliOQOx1uvrft2o1_1280-yVLmOjNV.1477614775.jpg

Other known title(s): Not stated

OFLC ref: 1600909.001

Medium: Computer Image File

Publisher: Not stated

Country of origin: Not stated

Language: Not applicable

Applicant: Comptroller of Customs

Classification:	Objectionable.
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Descriptive note: None

Display conditions: None

Date of entry in Register: 02 December 2016

Date of direction to issue a label: No direction to issue a label has been issued

Date of notice of decision: 02 December 2016

Summary of reasons for decision:

The computer image file promotes and supports the exploitation of children or young persons for sexual purposes and is deemed to be objectionable under s3(2)(a) of the Films, Videos, and Publications Classification Act 1993. The image is an explicit and highly sexualised photograph of a girl. The sole purpose of the image is sexual arousal. The continued availability of such material encourages and reinforces a sexual interest in children or young people and perpetuates their sexual exploitation. The classification of this publication interferes with the right to freedom of expression set out in the New Zealand Bill of Rights Act 1990. However, this is an outcome that is consistent with Parliament's intention and is a reasonable limitation on the freedom of expression. The classification reflects the concern of a free and democratic society to protect its young and vulnerable members from sexual exploitation.